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- 1. The construction of the new port of Varna has already been completed. The port has a depth varying between 24 and 32 feet. There are special anchorages which are the best existing in the Black Sea area. A new pier for loading grains is being built. There are seven loading areas for ships three of which are meserved for loading grains. A dock known as Koralovag has an area of 90 by 24.6 meters and a lifting capacity (sic) of 2,200 tons. Ever since the loading of uranium destined for the Soviet Union was started in this port, security measures here have been very strict.
- 2. Anchorage in the port of Balchik is safe, the depth varying between six and nine meters. The port has a pier 365 meters long and 4.65 meters wide, and a new pier now under construction will be 550 meters long and 7.20 meters wide. Winches located in the port are manually operated.

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